

**PARISH OF CLAIBORNE,
STATE OF LOUISIANA
CERTAIN FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL DATA**

Population of the Parish

The population growth trend of the Parish of Claiborne is as follows:

YEAR	PARISH POPULATION	STATE POPULATION
1950	25,063	2,683,516
1960	19,407	3,257,022
1970	17,024	3,644,637
1980	17,095	4,205,900
1990	17,405	4,219,973
1991	17,380	4,251,560
1992	17,468	4,287,195
1993	17,420	4,295,477
1994	17,433	4,315,085
1995	17,456	4,339,352
1996	17,164	4,350,579
1997	17,132	4,351,769
1998	17,136	4,368,967

Sources: US Census; Louisiana Tech University, January, 1999.

Population of Municipalities

The population growth trends of the municipalities in the Parish of Claiborne are as follows:

YEAR	ATHENS	HAYNESVILLE	HOMER	LISBON
1960	406	3,031	4,665	229
1970	387	3,055	4,483	151
1980	419	3,454	4,307	138
1990	278	2,854	4,152	160
1991	278	2,841	4,117	160
1992	278	2,830	4,117	162
1993	278	2,739	4,177	162
1994	287	2,744	4,162	162
1995	279	2,744	4,162	162
1996	277	2,852	4,228	162
1997	280	2,862	4,228	158
1998	277	2,735	4,244	161

Sources: US Census; Louisiana Tech University, January, 1999.

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Personal Income

The Bureau of Economic Analysis of the US Department of Commerce publishes personal income data. The most recent revised per capita income figures for the Parish, Louisiana and the United States are as follows:

YEAR	PARISH	LOUISIANA	UNITED STATES
1990	\$10,831	\$14,281	\$18,666
1991	\$11,363	\$15,079	\$19,201
1992	\$12,170	\$15,817	\$20,137
1993	\$13,740	\$17,133	\$21,220
1994	\$13,959	\$18,086	\$22,056
1995	\$14,454	\$18,826	\$23,059
1996	\$14,844	\$19,609	\$24,164
1997	\$15,609	\$20,458	\$25,288

Source: US Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, October, 1998.

Retail Sales

According to the *Survey of Buying Power*, estimated retail sales by category in Claiborne Parish were as follows:

(In Thousands)

Year	Total Retail Sales	Food	Eat/Drink	Gen Mdse	Furn/Appl	Auto
1991	\$67,837	\$25,165	\$2,939	\$13,052	\$816	\$9,896
1992	\$71,852	\$24,943	\$2,807	\$15,846	\$1,115	\$9,844
1993	\$74,826	\$26,036	\$3,114	\$16,564	\$1,057	\$9,180
1994	\$71,638	\$22,181	\$3,700	\$12,964	\$235	\$8,752
1995	\$72,157	\$21,828	\$3,500	\$15,296	\$457	\$10,817
1996	\$70,000	\$21,851	\$3,451	\$16,167	\$407	\$9,624
1997	\$70,272	\$22,689	\$3,341	\$17,082	\$395	\$8,971

(Note: The retail sales statistics in the 1995 edition of the *Survey of Buying Power*, which lists data for 1994, are based on newly published benchmark data from the 1992 Census of Retail Trade (CRT). Prior to this year, retail figures reported in the Survey were based on data from the 1987 Census [unlike the general Census, the CRT is conducted in five year intervals]. Whenever such an adjustment is made, trends in lines that fall across benchmark year are often skewed, a fact readers should keep in mind when comparing retail sales figures for 1994 and thereafter to those from prior years.

Source: Sales and Marketing Management, Survey of Buying Power, August, 1998.

SALES TAXES

Sales Taxes Levied in the Parish

The following is a summary, by area, of sales and use tax rates levied within the Parish of Claiborne as of 12/31/98.

Entity/Area	Parish-Wide Tax	Municipal Tax	Total Local Tax	State Tax	Total Sales Tax
CLAIBORNE PARISH	3		3	4	7
HAYNESVILLE	2	2	4	4	8
HOMER	2	2	4	4	8
JUNCTION CITY	2	2	4	4	8
RURAL AREAS	2	1	3	4	7

Source: Louisiana Department of Revenue and Taxation, Sales Tax Division, January, 1999.

Taxable Sales

Sales and use taxes are levied by various entities at various rates throughout the Parish. The following figures represent the tax base of a broad-based sales and use tax levied on a parishwide basis.

<i>(In Thousands)</i>					
Month	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
January	\$11,830	\$11,405	\$14,544	\$13,275	\$12,835
February	\$7,855	\$9,039	\$8,086	\$8,098	\$9,848
March	\$7,170	\$7,435	\$7,528	\$9,008	\$9,580
April	\$10,222	\$9,891	\$10,891	\$10,599	\$11,005
May	\$8,127	\$8,332	\$8,714	\$8,498	\$9,863
June	\$8,270	\$9,299	\$8,703	\$8,746	\$8,893
July	\$9,524	\$10,966	\$12,973	\$11,968	\$12,394
August	\$8,105	\$12,329	\$9,210	\$9,433	\$9,808
September	\$9,676	\$9,760	\$9,613	\$10,107	\$11,009
October	\$10,097	\$12,835	\$11,119	\$15,519	\$19,883
November	\$8,296	\$9,538	\$8,234	\$10,621	\$9,924
December	\$7,477	\$6,868	\$8,037	\$9,108	\$8,922
Annual Total	\$106,649	\$117,697	\$117,652	\$124,979	\$133,963

Source: Oakland Econometrics.

PROPERTY TAXES

Assessed Valuation of the Parish

The recent trend in the assessed valuation of property throughout the Parish of Claiborne is as follows:

Year	Taxable Assessed Valuation	Homestead Exemptions	Total Assessed Valuation
1990	\$45,225,820	\$14,541,760	\$59,767,580
1991	\$46,823,625	\$14,536,900	\$61,360,525
1992	\$50,664,880	\$14,483,320	\$65,148,200
1993	\$51,954,610	\$14,458,510	\$66,413,120
1994	\$51,209,160	\$14,558,130	\$65,767,290
1995	\$53,828,960	\$14,695,860	\$68,524,820
1996	\$58,828,040	\$15,705,630	\$74,533,670
1997	\$62,826,080	\$15,928,320	\$78,754,400
1998	\$59,343,530	\$16,129,550	\$75,473,080

Source: Claiborne Parish Assessor's Office.

A breakdown of the assessed valuation of the Parish by classification of property is as follows:

Year	Real Estate	Personal Property	Public Service
1990	\$17,808,300	\$4,569,140	\$4,824,260
1991	\$17,817,360	\$5,014,740	\$4,959,940
1992	\$18,339,740	\$5,734,330	\$4,815,390
1993	\$18,813,720	\$6,265,230	\$4,908,400
1994	\$19,212,740	\$6,722,080	\$4,955,960
1995	\$19,380,230	\$6,968,650	\$4,975,850
1996	\$20,820,460	\$7,585,370	\$5,056,440
1997	\$21,081,030	\$7,919,440	\$4,985,860
1998	\$21,666,370	\$7,477,750	\$4,660,390

Millage Rates

The recent trend in the aggregate ad valorem tax rates (in mills) levied on a parishwide basis by various entities within the boundaries of the Parish of Claiborne follows:

Year	Millage
1990	40.01
1991	40.01
1992	39.73
1993	39.73
1994	48.73
1995	48.73
1996	48.94
1997	44.59
1998	47.78

Sources: Louisiana Tax Commission and Claiborne Parish Assessor's Office.

Leading Taxpayers

The ten largest property taxpayers of the Parish of Claiborne in 1998 and their assessed valuation are as follows:

TAXPAYER	ASSESSED VALUATION
1. TEXAS GAS TRANSMISSION CORP	\$3,918,550
2. MARATHON OIL COMPANY	\$3,590,670
3. LUDLOW CORP	\$3,584,730
4. DUKE ENERGY FIELD SERVICES INC	\$1,946,600
5. ENTERGY LOUISIANA INC	\$1,606,560
6. BELL SOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS	\$1,538,820
7. CLAIBORNE ELECTRIC CO-OP	\$1,269,500
8. HUNT OIL CO	\$1,250,870
9. NORAM GAS TRANSMISSION	\$926,480
10. HERD PRODUCING CO INC	\$771,530

Source: Claiborne Parish Assessor's Office.

SCHOOL STATISTICS

Enrollment

The recent trends in public school registration, average daily membership and average daily attendance in the Claiborne Parish school system are as follows:

REGISTRATION	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE	2,944	2,670	2,847	2,796
AVERAGE DAILY MEMBERSHIP	3,100	2,818	3,001	2,963
PUBLIC	2,910	3,048	3,000	2,973

"Average Daily Attendance" reflects the average daily attendance of member public school students during the session. "Average Daily Membership" reflects the average daily count of public school students registered during the session. "Public" reflects the count of public school students registered on the first day of the school year, including pre-kindergarten.

Expenditures

Expenditure trends for the Claiborne Parish School Board are as follows:

EXPENDITURES	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
MEAN TEACHER SALARY	\$23,806	\$24,178	\$25,116	\$25,958
CURRENT EXPEN PER STUDENT	\$4,218	\$4,422	\$4,686	\$4,837
CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$71,397	\$118,280	\$141,824	\$914,049
DEBT SERVICE	\$341,945	\$334,083	\$324,262	\$285,559
CURRENT EXPENDITURES	\$13,074,753	\$13,284,724	\$13,385,945	\$14,244,776

Source: Louisiana Department of Education.